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Methods and Apparatus for Building Multimedia

Applications Using Interactive Multimedia Viewers

To the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir,

Amendment A

The standing claims are reproduced below as an aid in prosecution. No Amendments to the claims are herein made in this present response.

1. (Amended) In an object-oriented programming interface for use by a programmer in a computer readable medium, a software Interactive Media Viewer (IMV) module, comprising:

a code set adapted to access and present media code from multimedia files stored in a data repository; and

an editable layer allowing the programmer to program selective control of access by the IMV to the multimedia files;